

GAMBLING CONTROL COMMISSION

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To California Cardroom Industry Members

Re: Governor Newsom Signs AB 137

The California Gambling Control Commission (Commission) is pleased to announce that today, Governor Newsom signed AB 137. In salient part to the Commission, AB 137 provides fiscal relief to industry licensees and Commission work permit holders. Specifically, AB 137 amended Business and Professions (Bus. & Prof) Code 19821.1 to accomplish the following:

- Eliminates the requirement that the Bureau of Gambling Control (Bureau) collect any annual fees ordinarily due January 31, 2020, to July 31, 2021, inclusive, from a cardroom business licensee. Licensees are not required to pay for the above-referenced time period and the Bureau will issue a refund for any fees already paid for this period. This fee waiver does not apply to extensions or installment agreement due dates for annual fees due prior to January 31, 2020.
- Eliminates the requirement the Bureau collect any annual fees
 ordinarily due September 1, 2020, to August 31, 2022, inclusive, from
 a third-party provider of proposition player services (TPPPS) business
 licensee. Licensees are not required to pay for the above-referenced
 time period and the Bureau will issue a refund for any fees already
 paid for this period. This fee waiver does not apply to extensions or
 installment agreement due dates for annual fees due prior to
 September 1, 2020.
- Eliminates the requirement that the Bureau collect any fees or deposits associated with a renewal license or commission-issued work permit application ordinarily due March 1, 2020, to April 30, 2022, inclusive. Licensees are not required to pay for the above-referenced time period and the Bureau will issue a refund for any fees already paid for this period. This fee and deposit waiver does not apply to extensions provided for fees and deposits due prior to March 1, 2020.

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• Bus. & Prof Section 19821.1 will become inoperative on July 1, 2022, and, as of January 1, 2023, will be repealed.

Should you have any questions regarding AB 137, please contact the Commission's Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Division at lawsandregs@cgcc.ca.gov.

Stay well.

Sincerely,

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